

31 July 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversations with Lloyd Cutler, Senator Bayh,  
Dennis Chapman, Ben Civiletti, and Bobby Inman,  
30 July 1980

1. At 1145 on 30 July I called on Lloyd Cutler. I told him I wanted to understand carefully the White House's need for access to the information I would be providing to the Senate committee investigating the Libyan affair, and to be sure that we considered both the appearance of propriety and the reality of propriety in handling this aspect of the investigation. He indicated that his primary concern was to have access to those materials from the Intelligence Community that had been supplied to the White House in the course of normal events. He did not believe those were necessarily accessible from White House files. He was anxious to get this material as quickly as possible for checking prior to finalizing the White House statement to be submitted to the investigating committee. I suggested that he might want to check with Senator Bayh on this point. He suggested that I might want to check with Bill Miller, and that he would have one of his staff also check with the Committee in due course on this procedure in general. [ ]

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2. I subsequently talked with Dennis Chapman in the Situation Room and confirmed that there was a low probability that messages more than a few weeks old would be available on recall from the Situation Room files. [ ]

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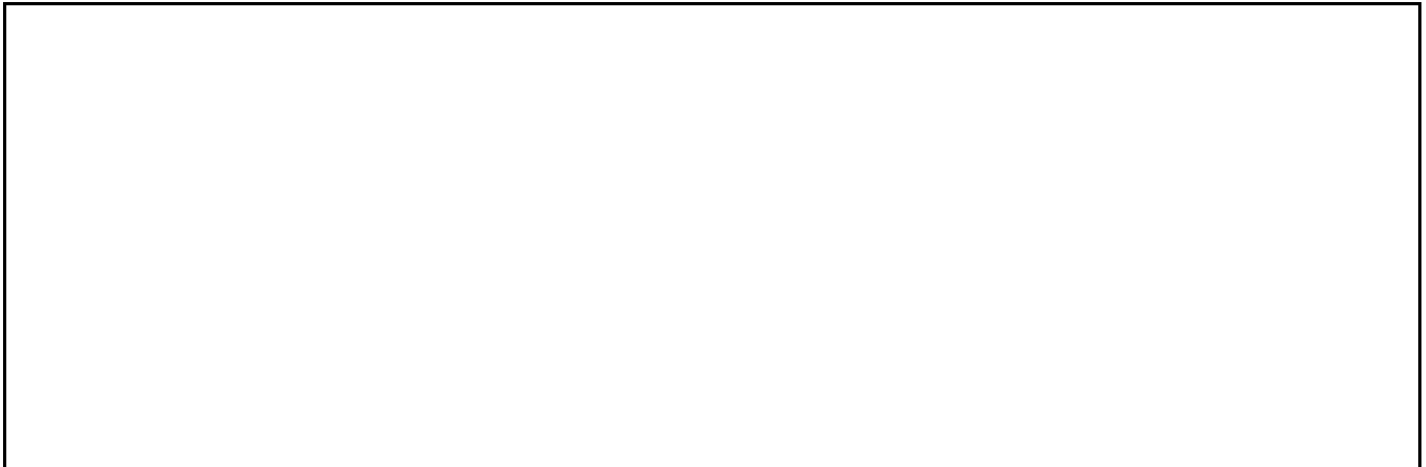
3. At 1527 I talked with Senator Bayh on the phone. I described the situation in which the White House desired access to materials that they had once had access to and which I was now forwarding to the Committee. The Senator said that he saw no problem in this. The Committee was not out to entrap anyone. The Commander-in-Chief had rights of access to material in the Executive Branch of the Government, and he approved my forwarding these documents to the White House. [ ]

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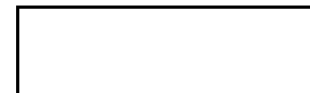
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